

CONSOLIDATED BILLING SYSTEM AND METHOD  
FOR USE IN TELEPHONY NETWORKS

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ABSTACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A billing system and method particularly well  
suited for use in telephony networks accounts for usage  
10 of standard network services, such as voice and data  
communication, and third-party services, such as paging  
and voicemail services, supportable by the network.  
Customer usage of network equipment and third-party  
equipment is also accounted for by such a telephony  
15 network billing system. Network and third-party usage  
and equipment charges incurred by a customer are  
advantageously integrated by the billing system into a  
single customer invoice.

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